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king Henry ~~8~~ viij. and there continued and kepte till  
the viij. day of April then nexte ensuinge. To  
the honour of God, and holy Church, and  
for the common weale of this  
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## An acte concerning true tanning and corpyng of lether. Cap. i.



As much as great multitude of hydes and tanned lether is vntuly, insufficiently, and deceauably tanned, corped, & wroughte wpythin this realme, and muche moze exceedinge in the pyces than haue bene at anye tyme heretofore, by reason wherof the kinges pooze subiectes bee greatly hindered and decayed, and fewe of them can goe or ryde by ether in shoes or bootes, nor haue anye good or stronge horseharnes of lether, ne anye ende wynges saddelles, maales, or boudgettes, ne anye other thynges made of tanned lether, to their greate damage, losse, and hinderaunce. And notwithstandinge diuers good statutes haue bene made for the true corpyng and tanning of lether, and searche of the same: yet neuertheless the tanners daily sell theyr lether in theyr owne dwellinge houses, or in theyr secrete places and houses oute of the comunon sayes or markettes: by reason wherof the same lether is vnsearched, and for the moste parte wroughte in the necessaryes amonge the kinges pooze subiectes, to their greate damage. For reformation wherof be it enacted by the kinge our soueraygne lord, and the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliamente assembled and by auctorite of the same, that all and singuler estatutes heretofore made concerninge the tanners and coriours, and cordwayners, and euery of them, theyr misteryes and occupacions, and the misteries and occupacions of euery of them, standinge in force and not repelled nor expyed, shall be and stande in theyr full strengthe, force, and effecte, accordyng to the tenours and purpoyes of the same.

And to the intent that due and plaine searche maye be had of tanned lether before it bee put to sale, Be it enacted, that no personne or personnes from the feast of Sainte Michaell the archangell, which shall bee in the yere of our lord God M. D. cccc. lxxii. shal put any tanned lether to sale, withyn the cite of London, nor wpythin thre miles compasse of the same, vntill it be broughte into open market at Leaden hall in London, or els in any the sayes holden wpythin the sayde Citty, or els where wpythout the sayde Citty, withyn the said thre miles compas: and there be searched and marked by such that haue the search thereof, as hath bene accustomed, vpon paine to forsaite the value of euery hide or parcell of lether, tanned and solde after the said feast, contrary to this acte. Nor that any personne or personnes, vpon like paine put any tanned lether to sale, oute of the said market of Leaden hall, and oute of the sayes kepte wpythin the sayde citty, and thre miles compasse thereof, in anye other place or places of this realme but only in open sayes or markettes, holden and kepte wpythin any parte of this realme: the one halfe of such forsaite, if it be wpythin the Citty of London, or wpythin thre miles compasse thereof, to be to the

king our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe thereof to the wardens of þe felowship of the cordwayners within the same city, or to the wardens of the felowshippe of the Saddellers, gyzdelers, corpers, or anye other of the kinges subiectes in the sayd city, that is to saie, to such of the sayd wardens or kinges subiectes, that shall first sue for the same, by action of debt, bill, plainte or informacion, in anye of the kinges courttes, in which suite no effoyne, protection, ne wager of lawe shalbe admitted.

And if the sayd forsaiture happen to be out of the said Cittie, and out of the sayd thier myles compas, than thone moptye of suche penaltie to bee to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and thother mopty thereof to the Mayres, sheriffes, bayliffes of citties borowghes and to wones corporate, and lordes of leetes, within whose iurisdiction or auctorite any such forsaiture shall happen to be recovered by like action and suite, and after the manner as is abovesayde: And for lacke of so doinge, that then it shall be lawfull for any of the kinges subiectes to haue power and auctorite in the suing thereof. And where it is commonly bled, that a print, scale, or marke, should be sette and put by the searchers of tanned lether, or by such as take vppon them the searchof sealinge of the same, vppon euery hyde well and sufficiently tanned, before the sealinge thereof, to the intente that the goodnes thereof, by the same shoulde be knowen to the buyers thereof. which marke or printe, for corruption and lurre, is commonly sette and put by such as take vpon them the searchof and sealinge, as well vppon lether insufficiently tanned, as vpon lether well tanned, to the greate deteite of the buyers thereof: Bee it enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that euerye suche personne and personnes, takinge vppon him or them the searchof makinge or sealinge of anye suche tanned lether, which doe put or sette any marke scale or printe vppon any hyde or peece of lether, nor beinge well and sufficiently tanned, shal lose and forsaite iij. s. iiii. d. for euery hyde or peece of lether that he or they shall so marke, scale, or put any printe vnto, nor beinge sufficiently tanned: The one halfe of which forsaiture to be to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the other mopty thereof to such as will sue for the same by originall writte of dette, bill, plainte, or informacion. In which action or suite no wager of lawe, effoyne, or protection shall be allowed or admitted.

And all be it, it is ordayned & enacted by the statute made in the thirde yeare of our soueraigne lord kinge Henry the viii. that the wardens and felowship of the craft of corpers within the sayd Cittie of London & their successours, or their sufficient deputie or deputies, shoulde haue the searchof tanned lether, within the said cittie and the subburbes of the same, and in other places next adioyning, expressed in the sayde acte, as by the same acte more at large is declared: yet neuertheless in other citties, borowghes, to wones corporate, markettes, and sayres, there be no searthers appointed, by reason whereof no person will put any diligence to the same, vnlesse some auctorite may be giuen in that behalfe.

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It is therfore enacted by auctorite of this presente parliamente, that the same acte made in the sayde .iiij. yere of our sayde soueraygne lordes concerninge serche of tanned lether within the sayde cite of London, and other places expessed in the same acte, shall styll stand and abide in full strength and vertue, with all and singuler the prouisions therunto annexed.

And ouer that be it enacted that all Mayres, Shyppes, Bayliffes, and other chiefe gouernours of other cittyes, boroughes, and towne corporate, and lordes of sayes and marketes, within their libertyes, franchises, iurisdiction and auctorities, and euery of theym, shall from hencefoorth haue power and auctorite, to name and appoynt twoo such of the crafte of cordwayners or coyers, or one of the one crafte, and another of the other crafte, as they shall thinke moste conueniente and experte in the sayd occupacions, to vjewe and search all tanned lether broughte to be solde, to any markettes or sayes, kepte within anye libertyes, franchises, iuridictions, or auctorities, and to make serch thereof truely and duely, without fauour, affection, or corruption. And where as none of the sayde twoo craftes be inhabited, that then it shall be lawfull to the Lordes, Mayres, or other officers, as is aforesayde, to electe and appoynte such other of the kynges subiectes, as be moste experte in knowledge of tanned lether: And suche as they shall fynde sufficiente, to put a marke or a poynt therevnto.

¶ And that no person or persons, shall put tanned lether to sale, in any saye or market, before it be vjewed, serched, and marked, vpon paine to lose and forsayte for euery hyde of tanned lether, put to sale contrarye to this acte. cc. d.

And it is also enacted, that aswell the moitye of the sayde forsayture, as the moitye of all forsaytures and penalties made or limited by any other statute or statutes, heretofore made for or concerninge tanned lether, shall be to the kinge our soueraigne lord: and the other moitye thereof to be to the Mayres, Shyppes, bayliffes, or other chiefe gouernours of such cittyes, boroughes, or towne corporate, and to the lordes of the sayes or markettes, or any other the kynges subiectes, within whose iuridictions such cause of forsayture, or penaltie shall be founden; that is to saye, to such of theym as shall seale or sue for the same if they take theyr suite for suche forsayture within fyve monethes nexte after suche forsayture shall happen: And if they do not, then to be to suche of the kynges subiectes, that wyl sue for the same. And euery such person and persons, as shall be intituled to haue such forsayture shall haue an action of det for the same. So that they commiente and take their suite or action within halfe a yere nexte after the sayde. vij. monethes, by writte, byll, playne or information in whiche action or suite no waiger of lawe, esoyne, protection or privilege shall be allowed.

And all be it that lether be well and sufficiently tanned, yet neuertheless the coyers, for their owne singuler lucre and aduantage, so corrupte



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the sayde lether, with water and other subtyll wayes and meanes, that it is very vnprofitable for the exercise of the kynges subiectes: It is therefore enacted, that every corper, shall well and sufficiently corpe and blacke the sayde lether tanned, as well the lether of other, to hym broughte to be corped, as his owne lether, exercisinge in his sayde misterie of corpinge tallowe and suche other thinges as to and for the true and iust corping of lether apperteyneth, without fraude or deceyt, and not craftely to bournne ne sparke the sayde lether, ne vse insufficient stufte of tallowe or oyle, vppon payne to lose and forsaite for euery hyde or peece of lether, that any corper shall craftely, deceptfully, or insufficiently corpe contrary to this acte. *iii. s. iiii. d.* The one halfe of which forsaite to be to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other halfe to such as shall fynde the defaulte. And such as shall be entituled to the sayde forsaite, shall haue an action of debt for the same by wyrtte, byll, playnte or information in any of the kynges courtes: In which action or suite none essoine, protection, priuiledge, nor wager of lawe shall be allowed or admitted.

And bee it enacted, that the Iustices of the peace, in euery shyre, citie and towne corporate, within the limites of theyr commissions and auctorities, shall haue power and auctoie, to enquire, here and determine euery offence hereafter to be done or committed contrary to this acte, as well by information as by presentment afoie them, and to make suche processe vpon euery presentment, as they commonly do vpon inditeementes of trespas.

And to the intende that the sayde serchers shall geue theyr attendaunce and diligence in true execution of this acte. Be it therefore enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that the sayde sercher or serchers from time to time shall and may take for euery ten peeces of tanned lether, so by hym or them serched, vietwed, and marked, as is aforesayde, for his or theyr payne taken therein one peny, and no more: And that also euery of the sayd serchers for the stipend or fee before lympted from tyme to tyme, vpon lawfull request to him made, by anye personne or persones, hauinge tanged lether in open market or saye to be solde, within the lymptes of the serchers, shall put to his or theyr prynte, seale, or marke, without contradiction or deniall, to euery such peece of lether sufficiently tanned, vppon payne to forsaite for euery defaulte by the sayde sercher or serchers so committed. *iii. s. iiii. d.* The one moety therof to be to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other to the partye greued, that will sue for the same by byll, playnte, or information, in any competente, courte of recorde. In which suite no wager of lawe essoine, nor protection shall be admitted nor allowed.

Provided alway that this acte, or any thyng therein conteyned, be not in any wyse hurtfull or prejudiciall to any lord or lordes, or any other hauyng liberty or liberties, sayres or markettes, or any of them, theyr heyres, or succellours, or any of them, for or concerninge any of the forsaities expressed in this acte, whiche they or any of them lawfully had, or moughte haue

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have had afore the making of this present acte: this acte or any thing in þe same mencioned, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Þrouded alway that this acte, or any thing therein containned, shal not in any wise be prejudicial or hurtful to þe chancellers, vicechancellers, procurours, taters, and scholers, theþ officers and mynisters, of the Universityes of Oresford and Cambridge, or any of theim, of, for, or concerninge the auctoritie of searsh of tanned leather, of any of the forsaitures of the same: which they lawfully had or moughte haue had before the makinge of this present acte, any thing therein containned to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

### An acte concerning the true dyeng of woollen clothy. Cap. ii.

**W**heren the commons in this present parliament assembled, that where diuers persons, within this realme of England, as well aliens as other, vsing the misterie or crafte of diers, now of late haue vsed and exercised a false sleightye and deceyvable way in dyeng with brasell and such other like subtilties, first inuented and found by aliens, bozne out of this realme of England, to the great hurt and sclaunder of woollē clothes died within this said Realme, which in times past haue in all outward parties bene noted to haue had the most substantial coloured woollen clothes, of all Realmes christened. That it therfore may be enacted and established by the king our soueraigne lord, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctorite of the same, that no maner of person or persons occuppeng þe said craft of dyeng within this realme of Englande, of what degree or nation soeuer he bee, from the feast of þe nativity of our Lord God now next comminge, do take bypon him or them, to die or alter, or cause to bee died or altered any woollen cloth or clothes, as browne, blew, penke, tawneis or violet, or hattes or cappes, excepte the same woollen clothes, hattes or cappes bee perfectly boyled, grayned or maddered bypon the wodde and shotte, with good and sufficient corke or orchall, after a due substantial and sufficient meane of workemanship, accordyng to the old workemanship, before time vsed bypon paine of forsaiture of xl. s. for euerye clothe, and iii. s. iii. d. for euerye hatte or cappe so to be dyed or altered from the true workemanship, as is afore sayd.

And for because that many men occuppeng the said feate of dyeng, falsly and vntreuly do occupie Brasell in diuers and sondrye colours, to the greate deceite, hurte and hinderance of the kinges liege people.

Be it therfore enacted and established, by the auctorite afore sayde, that no maner of personne or personnes, occuppeng the sayde feate or occu-

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occupation of dying of wollen cloth or clothes, shall occupie any brasel, in-  
to or within any wollen clothe or clothes, hatte or cappe, within the sayde  
realme: and in the scarlet colour occupie any other thing then grayne one-  
ly, vppon paine of forsaiture of fortie shillings sterlinge, for every cloth, &  
iii. s. iii. d. for every hatte or cappe made and dyed contrary to the fourme,  
tenour and effect of this present acte. And the third parte of the forsaiture  
or value thereof to be to the king our soueraygne lord, and the other two  
partes thereof to be equally deuided betwene the sayde person, that shalbe  
seasour or taker of the same, and the mayre, bayliffes, or other gouernours  
of the cittie, towne, borough, or village where any suche seasure shall for-  
tune to be, to thei owne vles.

And that for the better reformation of the sayde vntreue dyinge of clo-  
thes, hattes and cappes: Bee it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that  
it shall be lawfull to the wardens of the misterie or craft of Diers of euery  
cittie, borough and towne corporate within this realme, where such war-  
deins bee, and to their successours, for the time beinge, and where no such  
wardens bee, to the mayre, sheriffes, bayliffes, constables, and other the  
kinges head officers: of euery cittie, borough, towne, and village, and to  
thei successours, to enter into all places priuiledged and other, where dy-  
eng is vsed within thei liberties, & within a mile compasse of euery suche  
cittie, borough towne and village, where any cloth or clothes, hat or cappe,  
hattes or cappes is or shalbe put to dyeng, dyed, or altered into colours, as  
is aforesayd, there duely and truly to viewe, enquire and searche, if any de-  
fault be done: had & made, contrary to the fourme, tenour and effect of this  
present acte.

And if anye maner of personne or personnes, dyer or other, withstande,  
refuse, or denye any such search to be made, contrary to the tenour of this  
present acte, that than euery such personne, so letting, refusinge, withstan-  
ding, or denyng any such search to be made in any house or houses, where  
dyeng is vsed, at any time hereafter, shal forfeite for euery time offending,  
contrary to the fourme aforesayde, fortie shillings. The third part of the  
which forsaiture to be to the king our soueraigne lord, and the other two  
partes to be equally deuided betwene the Mayre, Sheriffes, Bayliffe,  
and other officer of euery suche Cittie, borough, or towne, and other  
the kinges subiectes, whiche shall sue for the same, by action of dette, by  
writte at the common lawe, by bill, informacion, or plainte, after the cu-  
stome of the Cittie, borough, towne, or poore, where at any time hereaf-  
ter anye suche fines, forsaitures, or penalties shall happen to fall or bee: and  
that the Defendaunte in anye suche case, shall not bee admitted to wage his  
lawe, or any protection or esoyne, for any Defendaunte, bee allowed in the  
same.

Provided alway, that euery such personne and personnes, as shall take  
any aduantage of any forsaiture by reason of this act, shall commence his  
suite



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suite or action for the sayd forsayture, w<sup>th</sup>in one yere next after the same forsayture, shall growe or be due by this acte.

This acte to continue vnto the last day of the next parliament.

An acte concerning flethe to be sold by  
weyghte. Cap. liij.



Complayneth to your most excellent highnes your poore subiectes of this your realme, that where all maner of bitailes before this tyme hath bene solde to your sayde subiectes at pyces convenient, so that all your subiectes, and in especiall the poore persons might w<sup>th</sup> them craft or hodely labour, by sufficiente for the necessitie and sustentacion of them, theyr wyues and children, but nowe gracious lorde, all bitaile, and especiallye beeste, mutton, porke, and veale, which is the comminge feedinge of the meane & poore persons, are so solde at so excessive pryce that your said riedy subiectes can not game w<sup>th</sup> theyr labour and salary sufficient to pay for theyr convenient vitaille and sustinaunce. For reformation wherof it maye please your highnes that it maye be enacted by your grace, and the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliamente assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that every person, which shall sell by himselfe or any other, the carcases of beestes, porke, mutton, or veale, or any parte or parcell thereof, after the firste daye of Auguste next ensuing, shall sell the same by lawfull weyghte, called haberdepois and none other wyse, the sayde flethe to be cutte out in reasonable peeces accordinge to the requeste of the byer, in like fashion as before this tyme hath bene used, without fraude or coun. And that every person, which by himselfe, or any other, shall sell any flethe of the sayde carcases, shall have w<sup>th</sup> him, where hee shall make sale of the sayde flethe, sufficient beames, scales, and weightes sealed, called haberdepois for the true seruinge of the byers.

And furthermore be it enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that after that day no person nor persons take nor cause to be take for any pound weight of flesh, of the carcases of beeste or porke, by him or them to be sold, above the pryce of one halfe peny, nor for any pound weight of flethe of the carcases of mutton or veale, above the pryce of one halfe peny & halfe farthing, without Deceit or coun: vpon paine to forsayte for every pound not sold by weight, or above the said pryce limited, and for every defaulte done contrary to the true meaning of this acte viij. s. iij. d. And be one moire thereof to be kepte by our soveraigne lorde, & the other moire to the party that will sue for the same by bill, plainte, or information, in which suite none other manner of lawe, nor protection shall be allowed.

It is provided alwaye, that the heades, neckes, unwarmed, nor semmantes, legges, nor leete, shall be counted no parte of the carcases aforesayde, but

such

such to be solde for a lower price.

And furthermore bee it enacted by auctorite aforesaide, that the lordes Chauncellour, lord Treasurer, Lord priuie seale, and president of the kinges moste honourable counsaile, and the two chiefe Justices of eyther benche, or v.iii. or iii. of them, shall haue full power and auctorite, by thei discretions, at all times hereafter for causes conuenient, to muniſhe and abate the pyces aboue rehearsed: but in no wyse to enhaunce the same. And that all iustices of assises in thei circuite, and all iustices of peate, or two of them at the leaſte, wythin thei limites, and al Mayres, Bayliffes, and other head officers of euery citty, borough and towne corporate, aldermen, sheriffes elected, stewardes of fraunchises, the mayres, bayliffes elected, and intates of the portes, and all other personnes, hauinge lawfull auctorite before the making of this presente acte, to set price of fleſhe, and euery of thein in thei limites: shall haue full power and auctorite to set a lower price of such fleſhe as is aboue remembred, and to enquire of such offenders, and to award like proceſſe againſte them, and set like fines as they maye doe in presentmentes, or inditementes of ryot or trespass tryed before them.

Provided alwayes that no calfe, aboue the age of viii. weekes old, be accounted for beale, but for beeste, and so to be sold as is afove rehearsed.

Provided alwayes that where the carcasses of anye beoſtes, muttons, beale, and porke, within any partes or countreys of this realme, be vttered and solde better cheepe, or after lesse prices, than in this present acte is limited: That this acte or any thing therein contayned shall not extende to any such county or place, but that they shall and maye sell at like pyces, as after such rate, as they do & vled before the making of this acte, vpon paine as is afove rehearsed, any thing in the same conteyned notwithstanding.

Provided alway that such person and persons, as now haue or hereafter shall haue the auctorite of clerke of the market, or to set price of vittalles within the towne and Uniuersities of Oxford & Cambridge and none other, shall haue the onely power and auctorite to execute this present acte from time to time, within the said towne & Uniuersities, any thing in this present acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte concerninge tolinge of flaxe and hempe. Cap. xiii.

**T**he kinges benygne callinge to his most blessed remembrance the great number of idle people daily increaſinge throughout this his realme, suppoſeth that one greate cause thereof is by the continuall bringing in to the same, the great number of wares and marchandises made and brought out and sold the parties of beyond the seas into this realme, ready brought by manuell occupation: Amongest which wares one kinde of marchan-

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chandise in marueylous greate quantity, which is linnen clothe of diuers sortes, made in dyuers countreys beyonde the sea, is dayly conueyed into this realme. Whiche greate quantity of linnen clothes so broughte, is consumed and spent wythin the same: By reason wherof not onely the sayde straunge countreys, where the sayde linnen clothe is made by the pollicy and industrie of making and ventinge thereof, are greatly enryched, and a maruaylous greate number of theyr people, men women and children set on worke and occupacion, and kept from idleness, to the great furtherance and aduancemente of theyr common wealth: but also contrarywise the inhabitants and subiectes of this realme, for lacke of like pollicy and industry about the inuentynge, practising, and putting in exercise like occupacion, being compelled to bye all, or the most parte of the sayde linnen cloth continually spent and consumed wythin this realme amounting to inestimable summes of money, in other regions and countreys. And also the people of this realme, as well men as women, which should and might be set on worke by exercisinge of lyke pollicie and craftes, of spinning weauing, and making of linnen clothe, liue now in idleness and ociositye, to the highe displeasure of Almighty God, greate diminucion of the kynges people, and extreme ruine, decay, and impouerishment of this realme.

For reformation wherof the kynges royall maiesty, intending lyke a moste vertuous Prince, to provide remedy in the premises, nothyng so muche couetyng as the encrease of the common wealth of this hys realme, with also the vertuous exerceyse of hys most louyng subiectes and people, and to auoide that most abhominable vice of Idleness out of this realme: hath by the aduise and assent of hys lordes spirituell and temporall and the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by authority of the same ordeyned and enacted, that all maner persons, of what degree, estate, or condicion they be of, hauing to theyr occupacion the score acres of errable lande or pasture, or thre score acres of errable lande and pasture, being apte for tillage, shall yere by yere, after the feast of saynt Michell the Archangell nexte commynge, at theyr proper costes and charges, till and sow, or cause to be tilled and sown in reasonable tyme one roode, that is to say, the fourth parte of an acre of the lande, beinge in theyr occupacion, as is aforesayde: with line seede otherwys called flaxe seede or hempe seede, or with both, the sayd roode to be sown in one place together, or in seuerall places at their pleasure: And so from the sayde feast yere by yere shall till and sow, or cause to be tilled and sown one roode for euery fourthe acres, which be or they shall happen to haue in occupacion, as is aforesayd, without any fraude or couine, bypon payne to forfeite thre shillings pence, for euery fourthe acres, which any personne or personnes shall haue in occupacion, as is aforesayde, and not till and sow, or cause to be tilled and sown one roode, according to this acte, in maner and forme aforesayd.

And



And be it also enacted, that all iustices of the peace in thei? sessions, and mayres, sheriffes & bayliffes in cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, in thei? sessions, or other courtes within the limittes of thei? commissions and auctorities, shall haue full power and auctorite to enquire of the offenders in this acte, as wel by the othes of twelue men, as otherwyle by information by thei? discretions.

And if any person or persons be presented afore them, wythin the limites of theyr auctorities, or any information given to theym, of any offendour of this acte: that then they shall have full power and auctorite vppon every such presentmente or information, to make proces againe the offendours of this acte, like as is commonly vbled vppon inditementes of trespass. And if any be presented, and afterwarde be convicted by confession or otherwise, that he hath offended contrary to this acte, that then he shall be put to no lesse forsaiture then is aforesayde, to the ble of the kinge oure soueraigne lord, if the offence bee withoute cityes, boroughes, or to wone corporate. And if the offence be within any city, borough, or to wone corporate: then the saide fine to bee to the ble of the Mayres, Sheriffes, or bayliffes of the said city, borough or to wone corporate, where there the offence shall be presented. And if any be convict by confession, or otherwise by examination vppon any information made by any person or persons, againe any offendour or offendours of this acte: that than every such personne so convict vppon any information, shall lose suche forsaiture as is abode remembered, the one halfe thereof to the king our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe to such as shall make the information. And that for the laungage of every suche forsaiture, as well the Justices of peace, as Mayres, Sheriffes, and bayliffes, wythin the limites of theyr commissions and auctorities, have full power & auctorite to make suche proces as theyr shal seeme by their discretions.

Provided alwaies that none information at þe suite of any person concerning this acte, shall be of any effecte, to put any person to any sweere or losse of losfaiture, except the said information be exhibited woldthin one yere next after the offence done contrary to this acte. Nor that any information or presentment for the king be of any effect, to put any person to any sweere or losse of any losfaiture, by vertue of this acte, except the said information or presentment for the king, be woldthin two yeaeres next after þe offence done & committed contrary to this acte.

Is bounde also that parkes for Deer, woodes, groves, to be groundes  
for meadowes, felles, fenues, salte marshes, heath groundes, commones,  
and such other like groundes, the nature wherof is not apte for tillage, nor  
any lands or pasture, which hath not bene put in tillage within the space  
of fiftie yeares, shal not be accompted in nor of the number of acres, for the  
which any person shalbe bounde to till and toowe any the seedes aforesaide  
by vertue of this acte: any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

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And it is farther ordered; that the acres shalbe accompted after & rate of six score perches for the acre, and euery perche containing xvi. foote & a halfe of the rule, and not otherwise.

And also it is ordained that this acte, or any thing therein conteyned, extende not to such landes as haue beene sowed, or shal fortune to be plowed, tilled, or broken, one & too, or thre yeares together in x. or xii. yeares; or other longer season, or els for cleansing of the same from molle, molle hilles, bushes, or like thinge, or for proofe of the aptnes of the ground to beate corne, and not vnto other wch as in time past in villages; so that in those yeares, that it shal fortune the sayde landes not afore excepted to bee so plowed, tilled, or broken, the same order be observed in sowing the position thereof wch lye, or hempe, or els, as is afore sayde. He also shal extende to any groundes inclosed, or to be inclosed, wherein once hath bene, be, or shalbe kept by the kinges graunt, or other wise, any thing in this present acte made to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for as much as spirituall persons, which doe, or shal haue in their handes and occupation, landes for expences of theyr householde, cannot conveniently otherwise take anye profite of suche flaxe or hempe, as growen vppon the same, vnles by sale to other persons: Be it therefore further enacted, that it may be lawfull to all and singuler spirituall persons, having in their handes and occupation any manner landes, for expences of their householde, not prohibited by the law, to sell such flaxe and hempe, as shal growe vppon their landes, to bringe in their owne handes and occupation, as is afore sayd, any acte, statute, or provision made to the contrary notwithstanding.

This acte to continue to the last day of the next parliament.

And wher a man selling a theefe shall not for  
take his goods. Cap. v.

**I**F as much as it hath ben in question and ambiguitye that if any euill disposed person or persons do attempt felonously to robbe, or murder any person or persons, in or nigh any common high way, cart way, horse way, or foot way, or in their mansion metuages, or dwelling places, or that felonously doe attempt to breake any dwelling house in the night time, should happen in his or theirs, or bringe in there such felonous intent, to bee slain by him or them, whom the sayd euill doers should so attempt to robbe or murder, or by any person or persones, being in their dwelling house, whith the same euill doers should attempt burglarly to breake by night, if the sayd persones so happeninge in such cases to see any such persones, do attemptinge to committe such murder or burglary, should for the death of the same euill disposed person forsaite or loose his goods, and cattelles for the

same, as any other personne should do, that by chaunce medley should happen to kill or slea any other person in his or their defence. For the declaration of the which ambiguity and doubt, be it enacted by the kinge our soveraigne lord, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that if any person or persons, at any time hereafter, be indicted or appeled of or for the death of any such euill disposed person or personnes, attemptinge to murder, robbe, or burgularly to breake mansion houses, as is abovesaid, that the person or persons so indicted or appeled thereof, and of the same by verdicts to found and tryed shall not forfeite or loose any lands, tenements, goodes or cattelles, for the death of any suche euill disposed person in such maner slaine, but shalbe therof and for the same fully acquitted and discharged in like maner as the same personne or personnes shoulde bee, if he or they were lawfully acquitted of the death of the sayde euill disposed person or persons.

An acte concerning sale of wyynes

Cap. vi.

**B**ECAUSE that diuers marchauntes, inhabitinge within the citie of London, haue of late not onely presumed to bargain & sell in grosse to diuers of the kings subiects greate quantities of wyynes of Calcoyne, Cyprus, and Frenche wyynes, some for five pounce the Tunne, some for more, and some for lesse, & so after the rate of excesse prices, contrary to the forme and effecte of a good and laudable statute, therof lately made in this present parliament, holden by the prorogation thereof made, into the xv. day of Januarie, in the xxiij. yere of the kinges most noble raigne, that is to say, contrary and aboue the prices therof set by the right honorable, the lord Chancelier, lord Tresourer, lord president of the kinges most honourable counsaile, lord priuie seale & the two chiefe Justices of either benche, whereby they be fallen into the penalties, limited by the said statute, as by due proues therof made, by examinations taken before the said lordes, & others of the kings most honourable counsaile, is wel knowen: but also hauing in their hands & possessions great abundance of wyynes by them acquired & bought to be sold, obstinately & maliciously, with their saide attemptes & defaultes proued, haue refused to bargain and sell to many of the kinges subiectes, any of their said wyynes remaininge and beinge in their handes, purposinge and intendinge thereby, for their owne singular and vnrasonable ineres and profittes, to haue larger and higher prices of their saide wyynes to bee lette, accordinge to their insatiable appetites and mindes: It is therefore ordained, and enacted by auctorite of this presente parliamente, that euery marchaunte and other personne, now hauinge, or which hereafter shall haue



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have wyne to be solde, and refusing to sell or deliver, or not selling any of the said wyne for redy money therfore to be payde, according to the price or prices thereof than being set, shal forfeite and lose the value of the wyne so requyred to be bought.

And furthermore be it enacted, that it shalbe lawfull to all and singular Justices of peace, mayres, bayliffes, and other head officers & governours in shyres, cities, boroughes and towne, and in other places of this realme wythin the prectices and limittes of their offices, from the last day of Aprill, in the yere of our lordes God **M. D. XXXIII.** at the desyre & request of any of the kings subiectes, to whom any denyer of sale, or from whom any restrainte of sale of any such wyne, shalbe made, and full paymente therfore without delay offered to be made, according to p<sup>r</sup> prices, which at the tyme of such denyer or restrainte of sale, be or shalbe set by the lordes and Justices, or hereafter to be set according to p<sup>r</sup> said statute heretofore made, to enter into the houses, cellars and other places, where suche wyne shal lie or be, and to sel & deliver the same wyne or wyne, delivred to be bought, to the person or persons requyring or desyryng to buye the same. & charge of the bear of the same wyne or wyne, so to be solde, to the yle of satisfaction of the forsaithurs aforesaid, after the rate of the prices thereof now being set or hereafter to be set, as is aforesaid.

Provided also, that if at the tyme of any such sale of wyne purposed to be made, the Marchaunte, vintener, or other owner or owners thereof, doe trulye, fully and manifestly, declare and shewe to the sayde Justice of peace, Mayre, Bayliffe, or other head officer, purposing to make the said sale, by vertue of this acte, what and howe muche quantite and sortes of wyne he then shall have, and assume and depose upon his othe, to be made and given by the discretion of the same Justice of peace, Mayre, Bayliffe, or other head officer, that hee keepeth and returneth the same wyne to the intence, onely to drawe and expende the same in his house, by retayle, or other wyse, and not to sel the same wyne, nor anye of them in grolle, that than the same marchaunte, vintener, or other owner shall have and returne the same wyne, withoute anye sale thereof to be made in forme above written, and withoute anye forsaithurs for refusal or restrainte of sale thereof, to be made in grolle. And in case that after suche othe so made, the same marchaunte, vintener, or other owner or owners, do sell the same wyne or any of them in grolle, that is to say, by the Maunce, Quarte, Tonne, or bye, Hogshead, Barrel, or Kondale, he shal forfeite and lose the double value of all such wyne so solde in grolle. The one halfe thereof, and of the other forsaithurs above written, to be to the King our soveraigne lord, & the other halfe to the partie or person that shall sue for the same by action of det<sup>r</sup>, bill, plaint, or information, in which case none essone, protection, or wager of lawe shalbe had or allowed.

Provided also, that this acte extendeth not to take effect in any shire

of this realme, other then in the Citie of London, and within three miles compas of the same, before þ last day of July, in the yere of our lord God aboue written: vnlesse that in the meane tyme this statute be openly proclaymed in some open sayre or markette wythin the same shyre, tohere before the sayd last day of July, it shall happen to be put in execution.

An acte to continue and renue the acte against killing of calves. Cap. viij.



Here in the sessions of this presente parliamente, begun at London, the third day of November, in the xxi yere of the raigne of our soueraigne lord the king, that now is and from thence adiourned vnto westminster, to þ fourth day of the sayd moneth, the was a good & laudable ordinaunce, acte and prouisid established, concluded, and enacted against killing of yonge suckinge calves, within certayne dayes in the same acte limited, and to endure for the space of three hole yeaeres: which at the first daye of January last past, was ended, expyred and passed; as in the same acte more at large it dothe appeare. And for as much as it is now evidently and manifestly pioned and perceyued, that greate benefite and commoditie hath ensued vnto the common weale of this realme, by meane of the sayde acte, and that muche more were like to ensue, if the same might estones for a longer season continue and be renewed: It is therefore ordained, established, and enacted, by the kinge our soueraigne lord, with the assente of the lords spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliamente assembled, & by the auctorite of the same, that no maner of person or personnes, beinge butchers or other, inhabiting wythin this realme, wales, or the marches of the same, shall from the first day of January, next commynge, duringe this whole yeres, from thenceforth next ensowing, kill or cause to be killed; any manner yonge suckinge calfe or calves, to be sold or pured sale to anye person or personnes, whole or by retails, which calfe or calves hereafter to be killed, shall happen to fall or to be calued betwene the said first day of January and the first day of May, in any of the sayd two whole yeaeres by poyntaine of forsayture of vi. s. viij. d. for euery calfe fallen or calued betwene the sayde dayes, and killed and put to sale contrary to this acte; to be payde and forsayted by euery such butcher or butchers, or any other person or personnes, which shall kill or cause to be killed and put to sale any such calfe or calves so fallinge, and to be calued betwene the sayde first daye of January and the said first daye of May; duringe the sayde two whole yeaeres. The one halfe of euery such forsayture to be to thaire of our said soueraigne lord the king, & the other halfe to the party that wil sue



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sue for the same by bill, action of dette, or informacion in any of the kinges courtes, wherein no wager of law, esoyne, nor protection shalbe allowed.

Provided alwayes, that every lord-marcher have the forsaytes, profites, and advauntages onely of every suche offender and offenders against the purueying of this acte, wythin theyr seignioryes, libetties, and franchiseles rovall.

Be it also enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the iustices of peace of every of the shires of this realme, within the limites of theyr commissiōs, shall have full power and auctorite by force and vertue of this acte, at every theyr general sessions hereafter to be holden & kept, to enquire, heare and determine the premisses, as well by informacion and presentment, as by bill, or plainte, wherein no wager of lawe, esoyne, or protection for the defendante (as is aforesaid) shalbe admitted or allowed.

An acte tohere defendanntes shall not recouer any  
colles. Cap. viij.



Because as well many recognisances, obligacions, indentures, & other specialties, as also many contractes heretofore haue beene take and made betwene diuers persons beinge of the kinges moste honourable counsaile, and other his subiectes, and by & betwene other persons, to the vse and behofe of our saide soueraigne lord the king for greate sommes of money, then beinge to his grace due: And for his prouision and other causes, for which dettes actions by the lawes of this realme bee to bee commensed sued, and prosecuted to the kings vse, by and in the name and names of the person or persons, to whom the sayd recognisaunces, obligacions, and other specialties were made, or by those, to whom the sayd contractes were made: Bee it therefore ordained & enacted, by auctorite of this present parliament, that all be it that the plaintife or plaintifes, be or shalbe nonsuted in any whatsoeuer action, sute, bill or plainte commensed or to bee commensed, sued or to be sued, to the vse of our sayde soueraygne lord the, kinge, his heyes or successours, kings of England, or that it shall happen any verditte to passe against any such plaintife or plaintifes, in any action, sute, bill, plaint, sued or to be sued to the kinges vse: the defendaunte or defendanntes shall not recouer any colles againste any such plaintife or plaintifes, any acte or statute made in this present parliament, or any other thinge to the contrary being in any wyse not wythstanding.

An acte against killing of yonge beastes cal-  
led weynlinges. Cap. ix.





Here in the first session of this presente parliamente, begunne at London, the thyrde day of November, in the xxi. yere of the raigne of our most dread soueraigne lord the kinge that now is, and from thence adiourned to next minster to the 4. daye of the same moneth, there was a good & profitable ordinaunce acte and prouision made, concerning killing of calves, right commodious for the publicke weale of this realme, as by the same more at large it doth appeare. Which acte was deuised to the intente that calves ones wayned, shoulde as at time was supposed, not haue bene put to slaughter before they were of conuenient yeares, and meete for beoffe, whereby might haue growen the greater plentie of beoffes, and at meaner pyces wythin this realme, to the entcrease of the common weale of the same: yet neuerthelesse diuers persons more regarding their priue lucre and singuler profite and gaine, than the common weale of the sayd realme, haue vfed since the makynge of the sayd acte, and yet do, to kill yong beastes, called wayninges, steres, bullockes & hefters, of one or two yeares olde or little more: by meane wherof a great part of the benefite that els shoulde haue folowed of the sayd acte, hath bene frustrate and voyde. It is therefore enacted ordeyned and establisshed by the king our soueraygne lord, wyth the assent of the lords spiritual and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliamente assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that no maner of person or persons, being butchers or other inhabityng wythin this realme, wailes, or marches of the same, shal from the feast of Nativity of S. John Baptiste next comynge, kil or cause to be kyled any maner of weinlinges, bullocke, stere, or hefter being vnder the age of 2. yeres, to the intente to make sale thereof to any person or persons whole or by retayle, vpon payne of vi. s. viii. d. for euery of the sayde weinlinges, bullockes, steres or hefters, being vnder the age of ii. yeres, killed and put to sale contrary to this acte, to bee payde and forsayted by euery such butcher and butchers, and other, which shal kill or cause to be killed and put to sale contrary to this acte, any such weinlinge, bullocke, stere or hefter, vnder the age aforesayde from and after the sayd feast of the Nativity of saint John the Baptiste next ensuing as is aforesayde: The one halfe of euery such forsayture to be to the vse of our sayd soueraygne lord, the kinge, and the other halfe to the party that wyll sue for the same by bill, action of dette, or information in anye of the kinges courtes, wherein no wager of lawe, essoyne, or protection shalbe allowed.

Prrouided alwayes that euery lord marcher haue the forsaytes profittes and aduantages onely of euery such offender and offendours agaynst & purueyinge of this acte, wythin theyr seignories, libertyes, and franchisees tofall.

Be it also enacted, by the auctorite aforesaid, & the Iustices of peace of euery

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every of the shyres of this Realme, wythin the lymettes of theyr commissi-  
ons, shall have full power and auctoryty by force and vertue of this acte, at  
every of theyr generall sessions hereafter to be holden & kepte, to enquire,  
heare & determine the premisses, as wel by informacion and presentmente,  
as by bill or plaint, wherein no wager of law, essoyne, or protection for the  
Defendaunt, as is aforesayd shall be admitted or allowed.

This acte to endure to the next parliament.

### An acte made to destroy choughes, crows and rookes. Cap. x.



As muche as innumerable number of rookes, crows  
and choughes, do daily breede and increase throughout this  
realme, which rookes, crows and choughes do yearly de-  
stroye, deuour and consume a wonderfull and maruylous  
great quantity of corne and grayne, of all kindes, that is to  
witte, as well in the sowing of the same corne and grayne,  
as also at the ryping and kernelling of the same, and ouer that a maruyl-  
ous destruction and decay of the couertures of thatched houses, barnes,  
reekes, stacks and other such like, so that if the sayde crows, rookes and  
choughes should be suffered to breede and continue as they haue been in cer-  
taine yeres past, they wyl vndoubtedly be the cause of the greates destruc-  
tion and consumption of a great part of the corne and grayne, which here-  
after shall be sown throughout this realme, to the great preiudice damage  
and vndoyng of the great number of all tillers, husbandes, and sowers of  
the earth wythin þ same. For remedy whereof, be it enacted by the aucto-  
ritie of this present parliament, that every person and persons, as wel spi-  
rituall as tempozall, hauing keeping holding & inhabiting in any manours,  
meales, landes or tenementes in theyr owne manurance and occupation,  
of any estate of inheritance, or for terme of life, or for yeres, or at will, or by  
copie of courte roule, or other wyse in possession or vse, shall hereafter do &  
cause to be done as much as in him or them reasonably shall or may bee to  
kill and biterly destroye all maner of choughes, crows and rookes, com-  
minge, abydinge, breedinge or hauntinge wythin or vppon anye the sayde  
manours, meales, landes or tenementes, which hee or they shall inhabite  
and dwell vppon, and haue in theyr manurance and occupation, as is a-  
foresayd, vppon paine of a greuous amerciamente, to be let and assessed as  
hereafter shall be expressed: that is to saye, that if any offence bee doone con-  
trary to this estatute by any person or persones, inhabited wythin the li-  
mites of the letes, laudayes, rapes or courtbarons of any lordes, hauinge  
such courtes, that then vpon a presentmēt thereof made before þ steward  
of suche letes, laudayes, rapes, or courtes, the stewart to wyth two of the  
presentours, by the stewart and presentours to bee named, shall assesse  
and set for every defaulte presented to bee done contrary to this acte, suche  
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amerciamente to theim shall seeme reasonable and conueniente, after the quantitie of the offence, the said amerciamente, to be to the vse of the lord or lordes of the letes, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes, where the sayde offence shall bee done and presented, to bee leuied by distresse of the goodes and cattelles of the offendour or offendours like as other amerciamentes for common annoyances presented in letes, hath bene accustomed to be leuied.

And if the offence be done contrary to this statute by any person or persons, which shall dwell and haue the manurance of and in suche maners, meases, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, whereunto such letes, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes belongen, or by reason whereof anye such courtes ben holden: that than upon a presentment thereof had before the sheriffes in theyr Turnes, or Iustices of peace in theyr sessions, the stewartes of the Courtes, with two of the presentours, to be chosen as is aforesayde, if the presentment be within the Turne, and the Iustices of peace, or two of them at the least, if the presentment be before them in theyr sessions, shall assesse and set the sayde amerciament, after the quantitie of the offence by theyr discretions, to be had and leuied to the vse of our soueraigne lord the king by distress, like as other amerciamentes be leuied upon presentments of common annoyances.

And further bee it enacted, by the auctorite aforesayde, that in every parishe, towne, hamlet, boroughe, or village, within this realme, wherein is at least ten householdes inhabited, the tenants and inhabitants thereof shall before the feast of S. Michael the archangell next, and so duringe ten yeares next ensuinge the sayd feast, at theyr owne proper costes, charges and expences, provide, make, or cause to bee made one net, commonly called a nette to take choughes, crows, and rookes, with all thinges requisite or belonging to the same. And the saide nette, so made or caused to be made, shall keepe, preserve, and reueue as often as shall neede. And with and after a sharpe made with chaffe, or other thing meete for that purpose shall laye or cause to be layde at suche time or times in the yeare as is conuenient for destruction of such choughes, rookes, and crows, and in such place and places, as shalbe thoughte expedient to take the sayde choughes, crows, and rookes, upon payne to forfeite ten shillings, the one moitie thereof to be to our soueraigne lord the king, and the other moitie to the Lord or Lordes of the same courtes, letes, lawdayes, or rapes, where anye suche nette shalbe lackinge, and not made and put in execution, accordinge to this acte, to be leuied of the sayde tenants and inhabitants of the sayde parishe, towne, hamlet, boroughe, or village where anye suche nette shall bee lackinge, and not put in execution, as is aforesayde. And that everye suche nette, with all thinges requisite thereunto, shall one time in the yeare at the least, bee presente in the courte baron, lete, rape, or lawday before the stewart of the same courte, lete, rape or lawday, wherunto the sayd tenants and inhabitants shalbe bound.



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bounden to sue & appeare, to be biewed, whether the same bee sufficiently repayed or not: for the foresayde purpose: so that by the abuse of the steward, ternautes, and inhabitautes of the saide Court baron, lete, rape or lawday, where any such nette shall be necessary to be used, a sure waye and ordinaunce may be deuised for the reparation, continuance, and putting in execution of the said nette, at times and places conueniente, as is aforesayde. And that suche ordinaunces as shalbe deuised and made by the steward, ternautes and inhabitautes of and wothin the sayd letes, lawdayes, rapes and courtes, or by the mooste parte of them, to and for the destruction of the sayd rookes, crows and choughes, shall stande good and effectuell, and bee put in due execution, accordyng to the tenour thereof.

And further bee it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that as well such person and persons, as shall inhabite and haue in his manurance and occupation any manours, meales, lands, tenementes or other hereditamentes, wherewith any such lete, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes apperteyneth, or by reason whereof any such courtes bene holden, as the ternautes and sermours, inhabiting and hauing in theyr manurance and occupation any meales, landes, tenementes or hereditaments, holden of such manours, meales, or other hereditamentes, wherewith such courtes, as is aforesaid, belongeth, shall yerele during the sayd tenne yeares, at suche dayes places, and times, as by the steward of suche lete, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes shall bee appointed, assemble themselves together, to viewe, visite and suruey all the sayd manours, meales, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, where they or any of them shall happen to dwell or inhabite, and be resident, and thereupon shall agree and conclude, howe and by what meanes it shalbe beste possible, to destroy all the yonge broode of the sayd choughes, crows and rookes, for that yere, and the same assemble viewe, and visitacion shall make yerele, duringe the sayd tenne yeares, at most conueniente and apte time for the same, and shall put the same in due execution, so as the sayd yonge broode of choughes, crows and rookes, may be utterly destroyed: vppon paine to forsaite for every yere omitting such assemble, endeuour, and viewe makinge, accordyng to this act xx. s. after presentment of such default had before the kinges Justices of peace: The one halfe of which forsaiture to be to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe to be to the presentours of the sayd offence, to be leued by distress, like as amerciamentes for common anoyances haue ben accustomed to be leued.

And further bee it enacted, by the auctorite aforesayde, that as well the Justices of peace in theyr sessions, as the Justices in theyr Turnes, as the steward, mayor and bailiffs elected, in theyr letes, lawdayes, rapes, and Court barons, to be hereafter holden before them or any of them, shall geue in charge to the ternautes and inhabitautes, and all other appearing before any of them, that they shall duly enquire and put in execution the effecte

effect of the premises in due time, so that this acte may be fully and truly executed, and the choughes, crows and rookes, thereby destroyed in all places of this realme, according to the meaning & true intent of this estatute.

And ouer this it is enacted, that it shall bee lawfull to every person and personnes, onely minding and willing to take and destroy the said crows, rookes or choughes, after request therof made vnto the owner or occupier of the same grounde, where suche crows, rookes or choughes, haunte or hyerde, to enter, take, and carrie awaye all suche rookes, or choughes, and crows, as hee shall take that same day, in which such request shalbe made from time to time, without let, impediment, or impeachment by any manner meane of the sayd owner or occupier of the same.

And it is further enacted, that every farmour or owner, hauinge in his owne manurance and occupation, any manours, meases, landes, tenementes or other hereditamentes, to whereof the yerely value or rent amounteth to v. li. shal pay and giue to every such personne, which by his diligence, labour and industrie, at his owne proper costes, doth take anye olde crows, rookes or choughes, within and vpon the saide manours, meases, landes, or groundes of the yearely value afore saide ii. d. for every xii. olde crows, rookes or choughes, that any such persons shall take, bringe and offer to any such farmour or owner: And for every vi. olde crows, rookes, or choughes, a peny, for every iii. old a halypeny. And if any such owner or farmour refuse to pay the said money accordinge, as is aforesayde, than hypon complainte and prooffe thereof made to anye of the Justices of peace, or highe constable, the sayd Justice of peace or highe constable, shall cause the said money to be leuied by distress of the goods and cattelles of every such farmour or occupier, refusing to pay the said money according to the tenour & effect of this acte.

And it is further enacted, that no person or persons, by colour or auerity of this acte, shall take or kill any doves or pygeons, hypon the paine limited by the lawes and customes of this realme heretofore for such offences bled and accustomed.

An act for pauing of the high way betwene the Strand, and Charing crosse. **Cap. xi.**

**T**HAT wher the common high waye betwene Charing crosse, aforesayde, and the Strand, is verie vngodly and foule, and manye places thereof verye impeditious to all your liege people, that buyes passage and passage, as well on horse backe as on foote, bothe

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in wynter and in sommer, by night and by day. The very occasion wherof hath ben and yet is, that the landelordes and owners of all the landes and tenementes next adioyning on both sydes of the sayde common high way be and have ben remisse and negligent, and also refuse and wylt not make and support the sayd high waye woth paving, every of them after the porcion of his grounde adioyning to the same high wayes.

And for asmuch most gracious soueraygne lord as the said high waye, is and hath ben of continuance greatly occupied, as well woth your subiectes & woth theyr cartes and carriages, repaying to and from your citey of London, from divers parties of this your realme, as woth your subiectes passing and repassing to and from the towne of Westminster, aboute the needes of your lawes, there kepte in the terme season: which way if it were sufficiently paved and made, after the maner of the pavement of þe strete betwene the said Strand crosse and temple barre, it should not onely than be a great comfote to all your subiectes there aboutes dwellinge, but also to al other your liege people, that wayes passing and repassing. Please it therefore your highnes, of your most abundaunt grace, that with thassente of your highnes, and the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this your present parliament assembled, and by auctoritey of the same, that it bee enacted, ordeyned and established, that all and euerye person and persons, theyr heyres and successours, the which now be or at any tyme fro henceforth shalbe seased in possession, or in vse of any manour, landes or tenementes in any wille adioyninge to the sayd highe wayes, betwene the said Stronde crosse and Charinge crosse, bee it on the one syde of the same waye or on the other, of any estate of fee simple, fee talle, or for terme of life, shalbe before the feast of Saint Michael the archangell, the which shalbe in the yere of our lord God M. D. xxxiii. sufficiently pave or cause to be paved with paving stone, the sayd high waye alonge from hys or their landes or tenementes, adioyning to the sayde highe way, vnto the middeste of the same waye in suche and like forme, as the highe strete betwene Temple barre and Strond crosse aforesayd, is paved, vppon paine to forfait to your highnes, your heyres and successours, for euery yerde square, not sufficiently paved by þe said day limited & assigned, in fourme before expressed h. d.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritey aforesayd, that al and euery person and persones, hauinge any of the sayd landes and tenementes in possession or in vse, in fee simple, fee talle, or for terme of life, adioyninge to the sayd high waye, theyr heyres and successours, shall from and after the said feast of S. Michael, the which shalbe in the said yere of our lord God M. D. xxxiii. sufficiently maintayne the pavement of the sayd waye againste every of theyr landes or tenementes, in suche and þe forme, as is aboue declared, vppon paine to forfait to your highnes for euery yerde square of the sayde pavement, not sufficiently paved, repared, and amended, as often as any such defaulte of any personne shalbe presented



ted before your Iustices of þe pleas; before your highnes to be holden. bi. d.  
 And that it shalbe further enacted by the auctorite of aforesayd, that your said  
 Iustices for the tyme being may haue full power and auctorite to enquire  
 in every tyme to be holden after the sayd feast of S. Michael, the which  
 shalbe in the sayd yere of our lorde God. 93. D. xxiij. by the othe of xii. men  
 of the sayd countie, as well of them that haue not payed, according to the  
 promission aforesayd, as also of them that remissly or insufficiently shal here  
 after may deaine the same payement accordyng to the sayd promission. And  
 that the sayde Iustices may haue power and auctorite after such defaulte  
 before them made, to make pottes by distresse of other wille by theyr dis-  
 cretion, against the said offenders, theyr heires, and successours, as well for  
 making, repaying, and amending of the sayd highway, as for the sayde  
 pottes to be payed.

¶ In acts that appeales in such cases as hath ben vnto be pur-  
 sued to the See of Rome, shall not be from henceforth had  
 ne vnto the See of Rome, but within this realme. Cap. xii.



Here by diuers sondry old autentike histories, and Chroni-  
 cles it is manifestly declared and expelld, that this realme  
 of Englands is an Empire, and so hath bene accepted in þe  
 world, gouerned by one supreme heade and kinge, hauinge  
 the dignitie and tovall estate of the imperiall crowne of the  
 same. Vnto whom a bodye politike, compacte of all sortes  
 and degrees of people, deuised in termes & by names of spiritualty & tem-  
 poralite, ben bounden & othen to beare next to God, a natural and humble  
 obedience. He being also institute and furnished by the goodnes & suffrance  
 of almighty God, with plenarie, whole, and entier power, preeminence, auc-  
 torite, prerogatiue, and intidiction, to sende and yelde Justice and final  
 determination to al maner of folke resiantes or subiectes within this his  
 realme, in all causes, matters, debates and contentions, happeninge to oc-  
 casion, inlarge, or begin within the limits therof, without restraint or pro-  
 uocation to any forein princes or potentates of the world. The bodye spiri-  
 tuall wherof hauing power whan any cause of the lawe becometh happened  
 to come in question, or of spiritual learninge, that it was declared, inter-  
 preted, and shewed by that parte of the sayde bodye politike, called the spi-  
 ritualite now beinge usually called the Englishe Church, which alwayes  
 hath bene reputed, and also founde of that sort, that both for know-  
 ledge, integritie, and sufficiencie of nombre, it hath been alwayes thought,  
 and is also at this houre, sufficiencie and meete of it selfe, withoute the  
 intermedlinge of anye exterior personne or personnes, to declare and de-  
 termine all such doubtes, and to admyntister all suche offices and duties,  
 as to theyr rounnes spiritual both appertayne. For the due administra-  
 tion wherof, and to keepe them from corruption and sinister affection, the  
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kynges moſte noble progenitors, and the antecessours of the nobles of this realme, have sufficiently endowed the sayd church, both with honoꝝ and possessions. And the lawes temporall, for tryall of propriety of landes and goodes, and for the conſervation of the people of this Realme in unity and peace, without ravin or spoyle, was & yet is adminiſtered, adjuſged and executed by sundry iudges and miniſters of the other parte of the sayd bodie polityke, called the Temporalltye: And bothe theyꝝ auctorities and iurisdictiones do conioyne together in the due administration of Justice, the one to helpe the other.

And where as the kynges hys moſte noble progenitors, and the noblytpe and commons of thys sayde Realme, at divers and sondry parliaments, as well in the tyme of kyng Edward the firste, Edward the thyrde, Rycharde the seconde, Henry the fourth, and other noble kynges of thys realme, made sundry ordinaunces, lawes, statutes, and provisions for the entiere and sure conſervation of the prerogatives, liberties, and prebeminences of the sayde imperiall crowne of this Realme, and of the iurisdictiones spirytuall and temporall of the same, to keepe it from the annoyſſance as well of the See of Rome, as from the auctorite of other foreyne potentates, attemptynge the diminution or violation thereof, as often and from time to time, as any ſuch annoyſſance or attempt might be knowne or espyed. And notwithstanding the sayde good statutes and ordinaunces made in the tyme of the kynges moſte noble progenitors, in protection of the auctorite and prerogative of the sayde imperiall crowne, as is afore sayde: yet neverthelesse sythen the makinge of the sayde good statutes and ordinaunces, byvers and sundry inconviniences and daungers, not provided for playnely, by the sayde former actes, statutes, and ordinaunces, have clyen and spronge, by reason of appeals sued out of this Realme to the See of Rome, in causes testamentary, causes of matrimony, and divorces, right of tythes, oblations, and obventions, not only to the great inquietacion, heracion, trouble, costes and charges of the kynges highnes; & many of his subiectes and reſtauntes in this his realme, but also to the great delaye and let to the true and speedy determination of the sayde causes, for so much as the parties, appealingge to the sayde court of Rome, moſte commonly doo the same for the delaye of Justice. And for as muche as the great dyſtance of waye is so farr out of this realme, so that the necessarye pions, nor the true knowledge of the cause, can neither there bee so well knowne, ne the witnesses there so well examined, as within this realme, so that the parties grieved by meanes of the sayd appeals, be most times without remedy. In consideration wherof, the kynges highnes, his nobles and commons considering the great enormities, daungers, longe delays and hurttes, that as well to his highnes, as to his sayde nobles, subiectes, commons & reſtauntes of this his realme, in the sayde causes testamentary, causes of matrimony & divorces, tythes, oblations and obventions, do

Daylye ensue: Dothe therfore by his roiall assent, and by the assente of the lordes spyrituall and tempozall, and the commons in thys present parlyament assembled, and by auctorite of the same enacte, establishe, and ordeyne, that all causes, testamentarye, causes of matrimony, and divorces, ryghtes of tythes, oblations, and obuencions (the knowledg wherof by the goodnesse of princes of this realme, and by the lawes and customes of the same apperteyneth to the spirituall iurisdiction of this realme) all redy commensed, moued, dependinge, beinge, happeninge, or hereafter comynge in contention, debate, or question within this realme, or wpythin any the kynges dominions or marches of the same, or els where, whether they concern the kyng our soueraigne lord, his heires or successours, or any other subiectes or ressautes within the same, of what degree so ever they be shalbe from henceforth harde, examined, discussed, clerely, finally and diffinituely adjudged and determined within the kynges iurisdiction and auctorite, and not els where, in such courtes spirituall and tempozall of the same, as the natures, condicions and qualites of the cases and matters aforesayde in contention, or hereafter happeninge in contention, shall requyre, without hauynge any respecte to any custome, vse, or sufferance, in hinderance, let, or prejudice of the same, or to any other thyng used or suffered to the contrary thereof by any other maner person or persons in any maner of wise: Any forreine inhibitions, appeales, sentences, commons, citations, suspensions, interdictions, excommunications, restraintes, iudgements, or any other proces, or impedimentes, of what natures, names, qualites or condicions, wher they be from the Sea of Rome, or any other forreine courtes or potentates of the worlde, or from and out of this realme, or any other kynges dominions or marches of the same, to the sea of Rome, or to any other forreine courtes, or potentates, to the let or impediment thereof, in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

And that it shall be lawfull to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and to his heires and successours, and to all other subiectes or ressautes within this realme, or wpythin any the kynges dominions or marches of the same, notwithstandinge that hereafter it should happen any recommengement excommunications, interdictions, citations or any other censures, or forreine proces out of any outwarde partes, to be fulminate, prouulged, declared, or put in execution within this sayde Realme, or any other place or places, for anye of the causes before rehearsed, in prejudice, derogation, or contempt of thys sayde acte, and the verbe trewe meanynge and execution thereof, maye and shall neuerthelesse as well pursue, execute, haue, and enioye the effectes, profites, benefytes and commodities of all suche proses, sentences, iudgements, and determinations, ddone, or hereafter to be ddone in anye of the sayde courtes spirituall or tempozall, as the cases shall requyre, within the limites, power and auctorite of thys the kynges

of whiche the said kyng our soueraygne lord, and his heires and successours, and all other subiectes or ressautes within this sayde Realme, or wpythin any the kynges dominions or marches of the same, shall haue and enioye the effectes, profites, benefytes and commodities of all suche proses, sentences, iudgements, and determinations, ddone, or hereafter to be ddone in anye of the sayde courtes spirituall or tempozall, as the cases shall requyre, within the limites, power and auctorite of thys the kynges



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sayde realme and dominions, and marches of the same: and those onely and none other to take place and to be firmly obserued and obeyed within the same, as also that all the spirituall prelates, pastours, ministers, and curates within this realme and dominions of the same, shall and maye vse, minister, execute, and do, or cause to be vied, ministered, executed and done all sacramentes, sacramentalles, diuine seruices, and all other things within the sayde realme and dominions vnto all the subiectes of the same as catholike and chrysten men owen to do, any former citations, procesles, inhibicions, suspencions, interdictions, excommunications, or appeales, for or to touching any of the causes aforesayde, from or to Sea of Rome or any other foreyn prince or foreyn courtes, to the lette or contrary thereof in any wise not withstandynge.

And if any of the sayde spirituall persons, by the occasion of the sayde fulminations of any of the same interdictions, censures, inhibicions, excommunications, appeales, suspencions, sommons, or other forayn citations, for the causes beforesayde, or for any of them, do at any tyme hereafter refuse to minister, or cause to be ministered the sayde sacramentes, and sacramentalles, and other deuine seruices, in forme as is aforesayde, shall for euery suche tyme or tymes, that they or any of them do refuse so to do, or to cause to be done, haue one yeres imprisonment, and to make fyne and ransom at the kinges pleasure.

And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that yf anye personne or personnes inhabitinge or resiaunte within this realme, or within any the kynges dominions, and marches of the same or any other person or personnes, of what estate, condition, or degree so euer he or they bee, at any tyme hereafter, for or in any the causes aforesayde, do attempte, moue, purchase, or procure, from or to the Sea of Rome, or from or to any other foreyn Courte or Courtes, out of this realme, any maner foreyn proces, inhibicions, appeales, sentences, sommons, citations, suspencions, interdictions, excommunications, restrintes, or iudgementes, of what nature, kynde, or qualite soeuer they be, or execute any of the same proces, or doe any acte or actes, to the lette, impedimente, hinderaunce or derogation of any proces, sentence, iudgemente, or determination, had, made, done, or hereafter to bee had, done, or made in any courtes of this realme, or the kynges sayde dominions or marches of the same, for anye of the causes aforesayde contrarye to the true meanyng of this presente acte, and the execution of the same: That than euerye suche personne or personnes, so doynge, and their fauourers, comfortours, abettours, procurers, executors, and counsaillours and euerye of them beeyng convicted of the same, for euerye suche defaulte shall incurre and runne in the same paynes, penalties, and forfaytures ordeyned and prouyded by the statute of provision, and premunire, made in the .xvi. yere of the reygne of the righte noble prince kinge Richarde the seconde, agaynst such as attempte procure or make provision to the Sea of Rome, or els where, for anye thyng

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of thynges, to the derogacion, or contrary to the prerogatyue or iurysdyction of the crowne and dignite of this realme.

And furthermore in eschewing the sayde greate enormities, inquisitions, delays, charges and expences hereafter to be susteyned in pursuyng of suche appeales and forreyn processe, for and concerning the causes aforesayde, or any of them, do therfore by auctorite aforesayde, ordeyne and enacte, that in suche cases, where heretofore any of the kynges subiectes and ressautes, haue bled to pursue, prouoke, or procure anye appele to the See of Rome, & in all other cases of appeles, in or for any of the causes aforesayde, they maye and shall from hencefoorth take, haue, and vse their appeles within this realme, and not elles where, in manner and forme as hereafter ensueth, and not otherwysse, that is to say, ffirst from the archdeacon, or his officiall, yf the matter or cause be there begunne to the byshoppe diocesan, of the sayde See, if in case any of the parties be greued. And in lyke wyse if it be commenced before the byshop diocesan or his commissary, from the byshop diocesan, or his commissarye, within fyfteeene dayes nexte ensuyng the iudgement or sentence therof there geuen, to the archebyshoppe of the prouince of Caunterbury, if it be within hys prouince, and if it be within the prouince of Yorke, than to the archebyshop of Yorke, and so likewise to all other archebyshoppes, in other the kynges Dominions, as the case by the order of iustice shall requyre, and there to be diffinitively and finally ordered, decreed, and adiudged, accordyng to Justice, without any other appellacion or prouocation to any other person or personnes, court or courtis. And if the matter or contention for any of the causes aforesayde, be or shall be commenced by any of the kynges subiectes or ressautes, before the archdeacon of any archebyshoppe or his commissary, than the partie greued, shall or may take his appele within .xv. dayes nexte after iudgement or sentence there geuen, to the court of the Arches or audience of the same Archebyshoppe or Byshoppes, and from the sayde Courte of the Arches or audience within fyfteeene dayes than nexte ensuyng, after iudgement or sentence there geuen, to the Archebyshoppe of the same prouince, there to be diffinitively and finally determined without any other or further proces or appele thereupon to be had or bled.

And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that all and every matter, cause, and contention now dependinge, or that hereafter shalbe commenced by any of the kynges subiectes or ressautes, for any of the causes aforesayde, before any of the sayde archebyshops, that than the same matter or matters, contention or contentions, shalbe before the same archebyshop, where the sayde matter cause or proces shalbe so commenced, diffinitively determined, decreed or adiudged, without any other appeale, prouocation, or any other forreyn processe out of this realme, to be sued to the lette or derogacion of the sayde iudgemente, sentence, or decree, otherwysse than is by this acte limited & apointed, Savinge alwayes the prerogative

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rogative of the archbyschop and church of Caunterbury, in all the foresayd cases of appeales, to him and to his successours to be sued within this realme, in such and lyke wyse as they have bene accustomed and bled to have heretofore. And in case any cause, matter, or cōtencion, now depending for the causes before rehersed, or any of the, or that hereafter shall come in cōtencion for any of the same causes, in any of the foresayde courtes, which hath, dothe, shall, or may touche the kyng, his heires, or successours kynges of this realme: that in all and every suche case or cases, the party greued, as before is sayde, shall or may appeale from any of the sayd courtes of this realme, where the sayd matter now beyng in contencion, or hereafter shall come in contencion, touching the kyng, his heires, or successours (as is aforesayde) shall happen to be ventilate commenced, or begun to the spiritual lates and other abbottes and priours of the upper house, assembled and conuocat by the kynges wytte in the conuocation beyng or next insupng, within the prouince or prouinces, where the same matter of cōtencion, is or shall be begun. So that every such appeale taken by the party greued, within .xv. daies next after the iudgement or sentence therupon geuen, or be geuen. And that what soever be done or shalbe done, and affirmed, determined, decreed, and adiudged by the foresayd prelates, abbottes, and priours of the upper house of the sayde conuocation, as is aforesayde apperteyninge, concernyng, or belongyng to the kyng, his heires, and successours, in any of these foresayde causes of appeales: shall stande and be taken for a finall decree, sentence, iudgemente, diffinition, and determination, and the same matter so determined, neuer after to come in question & debate, to be examined to any other court or courtes. And if it shall happen any person or persons hereafter to pursue or prouoke any appeale, contrary to the effect of this acte, or refuse to obey, execute, and obserue all thynge comprised within the same, concernyng the sayd appeales, prouocations and other forein processe to be sued out of this realme for any the causes aforesayd, that then every such person or persons, so doyng, refusyng, or offending contrary to the true meaning of this act, their procurers, fauourers, aduocates, counsaylours, and abettours, and every of them, shall incurre into the paynes, forsaytures, and penalties ordeyned and provided in the sayde statute made in the sayde .xvi. yere of kyng Richarde the second, and with like processe to be made against the sayde offendours, as in the same statute made the sayde .xvi. yere more playnly appereth.

¶ An acte for reformation of excelle in apparail. Cap. xiiij.



Here before this tyme diuers lawes, ordinaunces, and statutes haue bene with great deliberation and aduise prouided established and deuised for the necessarye repassinge auoydinge, and expellyng of the inordinate excelle daily more & more bled in the sumptuous and costly aray and apparell,

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accustomably woyme in this realme: wherof hath ensued a dayly do chauce  
 such sondry, highe & notable inconueniences, as be to the great, manifest,  
 & notorious detrimēt of the cōmon weale, the subuersion of good and po-  
 lytyke order in knowledge and distinction of people, accordinge to theyre  
 states, preheminences, dignities, and degrees and to the bitter impouertish-  
 ment and vndoyng of many in experte and lyghte personnes, inclyned to  
 pryde, mother of all byces. whiche good lawes not withstandinge, the  
 outerauous excesses therein is rather from tyme to tyme increased than di-  
 minished, eyther by occasion of the peruerse and frowarde maners and v-  
 sage of the people, or for that errors and abuses once rooted and taken in-  
 to longe costome, be not easily and at once without some moderacion for a  
 tyme relinquished and reformed. In consideration wherof, and for a rea-  
 sonable order and remedy lyke to be obserued, perfozmed and continually  
 kept, It is by the kynges hignesse, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and  
 the commōs in this presente parliament assembled, & by auctorite of the  
 same enacted, establisshed and ordeyned, in maner & forme folowynge.

Firste that no person or persons, of what estate, dignite, degree or co-  
 dition soeuer they be, from the feast of the Purification of our lady, which  
 shalbe in the yere of our lord. M. D. xxiiij. yle or weare in any maner theyr  
 apparayle, or vpon theyr horse, mule, or other beaste, any sylke of the colour  
 of purpore, ne any clothe of golde of tisse, but onely the kyng, & queene,  
 the kynges mother the kynges children, the kynges bethern, and systers,  
 and the kynges vncles and auntes, excepte that it shall be lawfull to all  
 dukes and marquises to weare and yle in theyr dublettēs and fleenelesse  
 cotes, cloth of golde of tisse, and in none other theyr garmentes. So that  
 the same to be woyme by such dukes and marquises, excede not the pryce of  
 v. li. the yarde. Provided that this woide purpore extend not to any man-  
 tell of the orde of the Garter.

And that no man, vnder the state of an erle, from the same feast, yle or  
 weare in his apparell of his bodye, or vpon his horse, mule, or other beaste,  
 or harnais of the same beaste, any clothe of golde or syluer, or of tinceld sa-  
 ten, or any other sylke or clothe myxed or embroidered with golde or syluer  
 nor also any furre of Sables: except that it shall be lawfull for vicontes &  
 prior of saynete Thoms Hierusalem, within this realme, and barons to  
 weare in their doublettes or fleeneles cots, cloth of golde, silver or tinsell.

Also it is enacted, that no man, vnder the estate of a duke, marquise, erle  
 and their children, or vnder the degree of a baron, oneles hee be a knyghte,  
 that is companion of the Garter, from the sayde feast weare in any parte  
 of his apparell anye wollen clothe made out of this realme of Englande,  
 Irelande, Wales, Caleys Barwikke, or the marches of the same, excepte in  
 bonettes onely: He also weare in any māer apparail of his body, or on his  
 horse, mule or other beaste, or harnais of the same beaste, any beluet of the  
 colours of crimelstyn, scarlet, or yle we, ne any furre of blacke Fenettes or  
 lufers, ne any maner embroderye. And that no man, oneles hee be a  
 knyghte

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knight, after the saide feast weare any collar of golde named a collar of S: and that no man vnder the degree of a barons sonne, or of a knight, except he may attende perely in landes or tenementes, rentes, fees or annuities to his owne vse, for terme of his life, or for terme of an other mannes lyfe, or in the righte of his wyfe, two hundredeth poundes ouer all charges shall after the said feast, vse or weare any cheyne of golde, bracelet, ouche, or other ornamente of golde, in any parte of his or theys apparell, or the apparell of his or theys horse, mule or other beast, except euery such cheyne Jewell, ouche or ornamente, bee in weighte one ounce of fine golde, or aboue and except ringes of golde to be woyn on their fingers, with stones or without. He also shall weare any maner of helmet in their gozones, cotes with sleues, or other uttermoste garmentes, nor any furses of libardes, nor also shall weare any maner embroidery, picking or pryncinge wyth golde, silver, or other like in anye parte of theys apparell, or on theys horses, mules, or other beastes.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayde estates and degrees, other then suche as may dispende in landes and tenementes, rentes fees, or annuities, as is aforesayde, a hundred poundes by the yere, ouer all charges, shall after the sayde feast weare anye satten, damaske, sylke, chamlet, or taffata, in hys gozone, cote with sleues, or other uttermoste apparayle or garment, nor any maner of helmet, other wise than in sleueles iackets, doublets, coifes, partelletes or pourles: Nor also shall weare any furre, wherof the lyke kynde groweth not within this realme of Englande, Irelande, Waile, Calys, Berwyke or the marches of the same: except foynes, genetys, called gray genettes and Bogy.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayde degrees, other than the sonne and heyre apparant of a knight, or the sonne and heyre apparaunte of a man of three hundredeth markes by the yere, ouer al charges, or such other men as may dispende in landes and tenementes, rentes, fees, annuities, or other perely profites, as is aforesayd. xl. li. by the yere, ouer all charges, from the sayd feast weare in theys gozones, or any other theys uttermost apparayle, any chamlet, or like. He also weare in any other part of theys apparayle, any sylke, other than satten, damaske, taffata or sarcenet in theys doublets and sarcenet, chamlet, or taffata in lininge of theys gozones, and the same, or helmet in their sleueles cotes, iackets, ierkins, coifes, cappes, purses, or partelletes, the colours of skarlet, crimsin and blew alwaies excepte. Nor shall weare any furre of foynes or genettes, called gray genettes, nor any other furses, wherof the lyke kinde is not growen within this realme of Englande, Irelande, Wailes, Calys, Berwyke, or the marches of the same, excepte before excepte. He shall weare any maner aglettes, buttons, broches of golde or silver gilt, or counterfalte gilt, or made with any other denysle of any weighte: Nor shall weare any cheyne of golde of lesse weighte and value than ten byces of Troy weight of fine golde.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayde degrees, other than such gentylmen

men, as may dispende in landes, tenementes, rentes, fees, or annuities, as is aforesayd. xx. poundes by yere, ouer all charges, from and after the sayd feast, weare any maner of silke, in any apparayle of his bodye or of his horse, mule, or other beast, excepte it be saten, taffata, sarcenet, or damaske in his doublet or cote, and chailet in his sleuelesse iackettes, and a lace of silke for his bonet, or poyntes, laces, girdels, or garters made or wrought in Englande, or Wales: Nor shall weare any furre of blacke Conye or Bogy.

And that no man vnder the sayd degrees, other than such as maye dispende in landes and tenementes, rentes, fees, or annuities, as is aforesayd. fine poundes by the yere ouer all charges, from and after the sayd feast weare any maner of clothe of the colours of scarlet, erimosen, or violet engrayned, nor any silke in their doublettes, or iackettes, nor any other clothe in any garmente aboue the price of sixe shillings. viij. pence the brode yarde nor any other thyng made out of this realme, except chailet in their doublettes and iackettes.

And that no seruinge man, nor other yoman takinge wages, or suche other, as he may not dispende of freeholde fortye shillinges by yere after the sayd feast shall weare any clothe in his hosen, aboue the price of twoo shillinges the yarde, and that none of theyr hosen bee garded or mixed with any other thyng, that may be seene on or throughe the bitter parte of theyr hosen, but with the selfe same clothe onely: nor in his gowne, cote or iackette, or other garmente, any clothe aboue the price of thre shillinges foure pence the brode yarde, excepte it be his maisters livery, nor anye maner furre, except cony, called gray cony, blacke lambe or white labe of Englyshe, welche, or Ircye growynge: Nor shall weare any shyte or shirte bande, vnder or vpper cappe, cote, bonet, or hat, garnished, mixte, made, or wrought with silke, golde, or siluer: Nor shall weare any bonet or shyte bande, made or wrought out of this realme of Englande, or Wales. Neuerthelesse it shal be lawfull for him to weare a silke ribande for his bonet and also the cognisance or badg of his lord or mayster, and a horne tipped or fletwed with siluer, gilt or vngilt: And also they and all other persons to weare on theyr bonettes all suche games of siluer, gyfte, or vngilt, as they or any of them may win by wrestling, shooting, remming, leapyng or casting of the barre, and also maisters of the shippes or other vesselles and martners to weare whistelles of siluer, with the cheyne of siluer to hange the same vpon, any former cause in this acte heretofore mencioned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And that no husbandeman, from the sayd feast, weare in his hosen any clothe aboue the price of the yarde. ij. shillinges, any clothe in his gowne aboue the price. iij. s. the brode yarde, or in his iacket or cote aboue the price of. ij. s. viij. pence the brode yarde. Nor in his doublet any other thyng that is wrought within this realme, fustian and canuas onely excepted, nor any maner furre in any his apparayle.

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And that no serving man in husbandrie, or journey man in handie craftes, takinge wages, after and from the feastre aforesayde: weate in his hoxses any cloth aboute the price of. xviij. d. the parde, nor shall weate any clothe in his gowne, iacket or cote, aboute the price of. iij. s. viij. d. the brode parde, nor in his doublet any other thinge than fustian, canvas, or lether or wollen clothe, nor any maner of furre in any of his apparayle.

Provided alwayes, that all suche officers and servauntes, waityng or attendyng upon the kynge, the Queene, the prince or princes, Daply, verely or quarterly in their houthouldes, or being in their eschequire rolle, as shall be admittted, assigned, and licenced by his grace, to vse or weate any maner apparayle on their bodie, hoxses, mules, or other beastes, otherwyse than is afore expessed, shall & may lawfully do the same, accordyng to the licence whiche shall be geuen vnto them in that behalfe. The same licence to be declared in wytyng by the kinges highnes or the lord steward of his most honorable householde or the lord chamberleyn, knowyng the kynges most gracious pleasure in þe same.

Provided also that the vicechamberlayne, Steward, Treasorer and Comptroller of the frenche queenes honorable householde, and everye of them for the time beyng, after and from the sayd feast, may weate in their gownes, cotes, iackettes, doublettes, and other their apparayle, velvet, satten, and damaske, beinge of the colours of blacke, tawny, or russet, and also theynes, and brooches of golde, of such value as they woll at theyr libertye, this presente acte, or any thinge therein mencionned to the contrarye notwithstandinge.

Provided also, that the lord Chancellor, and the lord Treasorer of Englande, the president of the kynges counsaile, and the lord priuie seale, for the time beyng, of what estate or degree so ever they bee, besydes those romes, may weate in their apparayle velvet, satten, and other silkes of any colours, excepte purple, and any maner furre, excepte blacke genettes: any thing in this acte mencionned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

Be it further enacted, that after the sayde feast, none of the clergy, under the dignitie of a bishoppe, abbotte, or priour, beyng a lord of the parliamente, weate in any parte of hye or theyr apparayle of theyr bodys or on theyr hoxses any maner of stuffe, wrought or made out of this realme of Englande, Irelande, Wales, Calys, Berwyke, or the marches of the same, excepte that it shalbe lawfull to all archdeacons, deanes, prouostes, maysters, and wardens of cathedrall and collegiate churches, prebendaries, doctours, or bachelours in diuinitie, doctours of the one lawe or the other, and also doctours of other sciences, whiche haue taken that degree or be admittted in any vniuersitye, to weate sarcenet in the linyng of their gownes, blacke satten or blacke chamlet in their doublettes and sleeeles cotes, and blacke velvet, or blacke sarcenet or blacke satten, in theyr tippettes, and rydyng hooches or gyrdels, and also clothe of the colours of Charlet, murrey, or violet, and furre called gray, blacke boge, soyne, shanhes,

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kes, or menener in their gownes & sleueles cotes, any thyng befoze mentioned to the contrary not withstandinge. And that none of the Clergye, vnder the degrees aforesayde, weare any maner of fures, other the blacke cony, budge, grey cony, shankes, calaber gray, fische, fore, lambe, otter, and beuer. And that none of the clergy vnder the degrees aforesayde other thā maisters of arte, and bachelers of the one lawe or the other, admitted in any vniuersitye or suche other of the sayde clergy as may dyspende yearelye xx. li. ouer all charges, shall weare in their tippettes any maner of farrnet or other like.

It is also, that this acte, or any thyng therein contained, shall not extende nor bee hurtfull or preiudiciall to any the kynges most honorable counsell: As to Justices of the one benche or the other, the barons of the kinges eschequire, & maister of the rolles, seriauntes at the law, & maisters of the Chancery, ne to any of the counsell of the Queene, prince or prynces, appentises of the law, the kinges, the queenes, the princes & the princesses, physicians, mappes, recorders, aldermen, shryffes, bailiffes elect, and all other head officers of cities, townes, and boroughes corporate, wardens of occupacions, the barons of the. v. portes, that is to say, to all the sayde officers and personnes, that now be, or heretofore haue beene in lyke roome place, office or auctoryte, or hereafter for the time shall be, as well in the time as after that they haue beene in any such place, office, roome or auctoryte, but that they shall & may at all times weare, after the sayd feast, all suche apparayle in and vpon their bodys, hoxes, mules, and other beastes and also citizens, and burgesles, shall & may weare suche hoodes of clothe and of such colours, as they haue heretofore vled to weare: any thyng in this acte mentioned to the contrarye not withstandinge, except that it shall not be lawfull to any of them to weare beluet, damaske, or saten of the colours of crimelen, violet, purpure, or blew, otherwise than by the continue of this acte, in anye of the clauses befoze mentioned, is by reason of theyr landes or otherwyse permitted, limited, or assigned.

As also this acte or any thyng therein mentioned: shall extende to ambassadours or other personages: sent from outwarde princes, or to noble men, or other comynge into the kynges realme, or other parte of his obeyesance, to visite, see or salute his grace or to see the countrey, and not mynded to make longe or continuall demoyne in the same, ne to any henchman, he raide, or purcuant at armes, minstrels, plaiers in enterludes, lightes, reuels, iustes, tournets, barriers, solempne watches or other martiall feates or disguisinges, or to men of war, beyng in the kynges roages of warre, nor to any man, for wearyng any apparayle, giuen vnto him by the kynges highnes, the queene, the french queene, the prince or princes, ne to anye swoorde bearer of the cite of London or of any city, borough, or to one corporate. As also shall extende to any vtter barterer of any of the Tones of court for wearyng in any his apparayle, suche fyke and furre: as is befoze limited for men that may dyspende in landes, tenementes, rentes, fees

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fees or annuities for terme of life xx. li. ouer all charges, nor to anye other student of the Innys of the court of Chancery, or to any gentleman being seruauit to any lord, knyghte esquier, or gentleman of this realme, whose mayster may dispende xl. li. ouer all charges, for wearyng by such studente or gentlemen beinge seruauite, of doublettes and partlettres of latten, damaske, or chamlet, or iackettes of chamlet: which doublettes, partlers, or iackettes be geuen vnto them by any of theyr parentes, maisters, or kinles folkes, so alwayes they bee not of the colours of crimisen, porpice, scarlet, or blew, or for wearyng of any furre, wherof þ like geth with wythin this realme, Wales, or Ireland, martens and blake cony except.

It is also further enacted, that if any man be or weare, at any tyme after the sayde feast, anye apparell, or other the premises, contrary to the tenour and fourme aforesayd, than he so offendinge, shall forsaite the same apparell, and other the premises, so by hym used or weare vpon his person, horse, mule, or other beaste, wherewith so euer it be garnished, embroidered, doubled, or mixed, or the value thereof, and also x. li. fine in the name of a fyne for euery daye, that hee shall so weare the same, contrary to the tenour and purpoyse of this acte. And that euery man, that woul, may lawfully sue for þ same, by action of detinue, to be commenced with- in xv. dayes nexte after the beginninge of the terme, nexte ensuinge, after any such time and cause of forsaite so giuen: in the which action the defendaunte shall not bee suffered to wage his lawe, nor any essoyne or protection shalbe to him allowed in that behalfe. The one halfe of the which forsaite and fine shall bee to the kinges highnes, and the other halfe to him or them, that wyl sue for the same, in forme and wythin the tyme before limited.

And it is further enacted by the auctozity aforesayd, that it shalbe lawfull to the iustices of peace in theyr sessions, the sheriffe in his Turne, the steward in any lete or lawday, the aldermen in theyr wardes, and to all other persons haupnge auctozity to enquire of bloudshed and fynes, to enquire of euery of the sayd offences and forsaitures, and the parties offendinge againste this statute, and so presented, shall make fine in maner and forme, and after the rate aforesayd.

Ouer this it is enacted, by the auctozity aforesayde that all other actes made for reformation of excesse in apparell or array, at any time before this present parliamente, and all and singuler articles, prouision, forsaitures, & penalties, mencioned in the sayd former actes or any of them, be fro henceforth utterly voyde, expelled, extinct and of none effect: And all transgressions, offences, sommes of moneye, penalties, and forsaitures for any thinge done contrary to þ said former actes or any of them, before this time made for reformation of excesse in apparell, bee clearly remitted, pardoned & released, and the offenders in that behalfe, and euery of them to bee thereof discharged, and acquitted for euer.

Þ provided alwayes, that this acte, nor any thing therein contayned, be hurt-



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hurtfull or prejudiciall to any spirituall or temporall persons, in and for the wearing any ornaments of the Church, used for executing divine service, or for wearing theyr amictis, mantles, habites, or garments of religion, or other thinges, which they be used or bound vnto by theyr tooines or promotions, or religions, ne also to anye graduates, beadies, or mynisters to the graduates in Vniuersities and scholes, for wearing of theyr habites or hoodes, wyth fures, linnings, or otherwys, after such forme as heretofore they haue bene accustomed to do, any thing in this present acte, made to the contrary not withstanding.

Provided also that this acte, nor any thing therein conteyned, be prejudiciall or hurtful to any person or persons, for wearing of any linnen cloth, made or brought out of this realme, or other partes of the kynges obeyssance, vnto any person, being of the degree of a gentleman, for wearing of any sharte made, wrought or embroyded wyth theede and silke onely, so the same worke, or embroydery be made wythin this realme of England, wales, Calais, Berwicke, or the marches.

FINIS.

God saue the King.

*E. J. M.*  
3/20/24

